

DECISION NO.

BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION

2	<u>COMMISSIONERS</u>	Arizona Corporation Commission
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4	BOB BURNS	OCT 2 9 2015
5	DOUG LITTLE TOM FORESE	DOCKETED BY
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7	IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF VALENCIA WATER COMPANY – TOWN	DOCKET NO. W-01212A-12-0309
8	DIVISION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF JUST AND REASONABLE RATES AND CHARGES FOR	
9	UTILITY SERVICE DESIGNED TO REALIZE A REASONABLE RATE OF RETURN ON THE FAIR	
10	VALUE OF ITS PROPERTY THOUGHOUT THE STATE OF ARIZONA.	
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12	IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF GLOBAL WATER – PALO VERDE UTILITIES	DOCKET NO. SW-20445A-12-0310
13	COMPANY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF JUST AND REASONABLE RATES AND CHARGES FOR	
14	UTILITY SERVICE DESIGNED TO REALIZE A REASONABLE RATE OF RETURN ON THE FAIR	
15	VALUE OF ITS PROPERTY THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF ARIZONA.	
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17	IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF WATER UTILITY OF NORTHERN SCOTTSDALE,	DOCKET NO. W-03720A-12-0311
18	INC. FOR APPROVAL OF A RATE INCREASE.	
19		DOGWETTING WIGHT A CALL
20	IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF WATER UTILITY OF GREATER TONOPAH, INC.	DOCKET NO. W-02450A-12-0312
21	FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF JUST AND REASONABLE RATES AND CHARGES FOR	Arizona Comoration O
22	UTILITY SERVICE DESIGNED TO REALIZE A REASONABLE RATE OF RETURN ON THE FAIR	Arizona Corporation Commission DOCKETED
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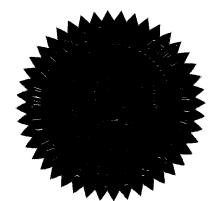
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1	IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF VALENCIA WATER COMPANY – GREATER	DOCKET NO. W-02451A-12-0313	
2	BUCKEYE DIVISION FOR THE		
3	ESTABLISHMENT OF JUST AND REASONABLE RATES AND CHARGES FOR UTILITY SERVICE		
4	DESIGNED TO REALIZE A REASONABLE RATE OF RETURN ON THE FAIR VALUE OF ITS		
5	PROPERTY THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF ARIZONA.		
6	IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF	DOCKET NO. W-20446A-12-0314	
7	GLOBAL WATER – SANTA CRUZ WATER COMPANY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF JUST		
8	AND REASONABLE RATES AND CHARGES FOR UTILITY SERVICE DESIGNED TO REALIZE A		
9	REASONABLE RATE OF RETURN ON THE FAIR VALUE OF ITS PROPERTY THROUGHOUT THE		
10	STATE OF ARIZONA.		
11	IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF	DOCKET NO. W-01732A-12-0315	
12	WILLOW VALLEY WATER COMPANY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF JUST AND REASONABLE		
13	RATES AND CHARGES FOR UTILITY SERVICE DESIGNED TO REALIZE A REASONABLE RATE	DECISION NO. 75319	
14	OF RETURN ON THE FAIR VALUE OF ITS PROPERTY THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF		
15	ARIZONA.	ORDER	
16	Open Meeting	1	
17	October 20, 2015 Phoenix, Arizona		
18	BY THE COMMISSION:		
19	FINDINGS OF FACT		
20	1. On February 26, 2014, the Arizona Corp	poration Commission ("Commission") issued	
21	Decision No. 74364. Among other things, Decision No. 74364 approved Willow Valley Wate		
22	Company ("Company") to implement a system improvement benefits mechanism ("SIB"). Or		
23	August 18, 2015, the Arizona Court of Appeals issued an opinion in Case No. 1 CA-CC 13-0002		
24	which set aside the Commission's approval of a SIB mechanism that was materially identical to the		
25	SIB mechanism approved in Decision No. 74364.		
26	2. In light of the Court's ruling, and in balancing the interests that are implicated in this		
27	matter, the Commission finds it is reasonable and in the public interest to stay operation of the SIE		
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	2	DECISION NO. 75319	

mechanism approved for the Company by Decision No. 74364 pending the outcome of further court 1 proceedings. 2 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW** 3 Willow Valley Water Company is a public service corporation within the meaning of 1. 4 Article XV of the Arizona Constitution. 5 2. The Commission has jurisdiction over Willow Valley Water Company, and the subject 6 matter of this filing. 7 3. It is in the public interest to stay the operation of the System Improvement Benefits 8 Mechanism approved by Decision No. 74364 pending the outcome of further court proceedings and 9 until further order of the Commission. 10 **ORDER** 11 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the System Improvement Benefit Mechanism approved 12 by Decision No. 74364, is hereby stayed until further order of the Commission. 13 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all compliance requirements specifically associated with 14 operation of the System Improvement Benefits Mechanism are stayed until further order of the 15 Commission. 16 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all other aspects of Decision No. 74364 shall remain in 17 effect. 18 19 . . . 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Decision shall become effective immediately.

BY THE ORDER OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

COMMISSIONER



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, JODI JERICH, Executive Director of the Arizona Corporation Commission, have hereunto, set my hand and caused the official seal of this Commission to be affixed at the Capitol, in the City of Phoenix, this 29¹² day of Capitol , 2015.

JODÍ JERICH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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* Because I inadvertently voted "no" when my intention was to vote in support of the order, I believe it is appropriate to

not sign on the dissent line.

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